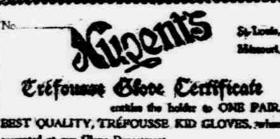
A Splendid Holiday Gift For a Gentleman to give to a Lady is a

Trefousse Glove Certificate

(OR HALF A DOZEN OF THEM),

SUCH AS CAN ONLY BE BOUGHT AT





certificates as he may wish, put them in his pocket, and, when occasion offers, present her with them, explaining that she can at any time present them at Nugents' Glove counter and have them exchanged for Gloves, each certificate calling for one pair, which will be fitted to the hand. The gift will be a much welcomed one. The gentleman will be saved a lot of worry and the lady will get the best Gloves manufactured, for the Trefousse are the world's standard of glove excellence, and are obtainable only in St. Louis at

B. Nugent & Bro. Dry Goods Co.,

Store Open Saturday Night Until 10 O'Clock.

It Builds Hardy Nerve and Muscle Strength

For big, strong men, little children and invalids. The starch in this food

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Wesson's Salad Oil

ported olive oil and has the same flavor.



SHREDDED WHOLE WHEAT BISCUIT, ALWAYS READY.

Write for Cook Book-Free,

SUGGESTIONS FOR TABLE AND KITCHEN.

Christmas is essentially a home celebradon, merriess where there are children. If
you have some acquaint nee away from
home and friends, invite him to share your
Christmas Joy and dinner. Have all the
treens possible all over your house, and be
sure to have touches of oright red, such as
holly berries to give an air of warmth and
shoer. Mix in with your holly branches of
the plain, fragrant cedar, which will inpart a spicy odos to the warm atmosphere
that is very pleasing to the senses. Everything of a Christmas nature that will appeal
to the senses adda greatly to the enjoyment
of the occasion.

"Merrie, merrie Christmas, everywhere,

Merrie, merrie Christmas, everywhere,

Metric metric Christmas, everywhere, Cheerily it ringeth through the aft; Christmas bells. Christmas trees, Christmas bells. Christmas trees, Christmas bells. Christmas trees, Christmas odors on the breeze."

For your table, use your prettiest china, then, silver and glass. Candles with red shades give an attractive appearance. In the center of your table have a low, round feconation of mistletor, surrounded by hely. These may be placed in a wide, shallow bowl. About four inches from the bowl, in the tablecloth, run a strand of ground line about two luches wide, forming a green lirde. Cranberry jelly, molded in small taps, and placed at each cover, given more if real color.

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Another pretty table decoration has, in the senter, a bed of poinsettia, the Mexican hristmas flower, and at the table corners success of holly. From the chandelier bove the table is suspended a bunch of sattletos and one of holly, tied together

B. NUCENT & BRO. D. Q. CO.

All a gentleman has to do is to come to our Glove counter, buy as many

Broadway, Washington Ave. and St. Charles St.

The Master Grain Staff Food

Made by the Expert Fathers of Cereal Products, The BATTLE CREEK SANITARIUM FOOD CO.

has been turned to dextrine and true sugar, thereby saving the stornach this work, which is necessary before nutrition can result.

Eat Granola and Live

Live well and be well while you live. Every package of genuine Granola bears a picture of the Battle Creek Sanitarium. Sold by all grocers. Beware of imitations. Drink CARAMEL CEREAL and sleep well—it leaves the nerves STRONG. Send 3c for Granola sample to

with a bow of scarlet ribbon. In all countries where Christmas is known and celebrated, the gastronomic feature seems to be most in evidence Bohemia alone, among all the Christian nations, makes this day a season for rigorous fasting. Children of this country do not, probably, look forward to the celebration with any great pleasure, as they are expected to practice the same self-denial as their eiders. Only the working classes derive any material pleasure or benefit from the day's customs. To this class, whatever his craft or trade, the master is expected to personate Santa Claus and render substantial tribute for the avaluanche of "Merry Christmas" greetings showered upon him by these people who throug his house, without protest or denial, all day. As a compensation, however, for self-denial and enforced generosity, he looks forward to the great Christmas feast that is served on Christmas night. All day long the mother, daughters and

IT IS EASILY DIGESTED AND ALWAYS CLEANLY, WHICH

is far greater value than the finest im-

tak your friendly grocer for it and save

Complete Nourishment.



READ DIRECTIONS.

Fried Smells Creamed Potatoes,
Rolls, Coffee,
DINNER. Christmas is essentially a home celebra-Blue Points,
Consomme with Chestout Forcement Balls,
Consomme Celery,

Consomme with Chestnut Forces
Stuffed Olives
Roasted Almonds.
Roast Turkey, Giblet Gravy.
Cranberry Jelly.
Riced Potatoes. Cauliflower in Cream.
Sweethreads in Cases. Green Peas.
These Souffle.
Celery and Walmat Salad.
Plum Pudding. Saboyan Sauce.
Stuffed Dates.
Coffee.
SUPPER.

Lobeter Farel. Celery. Nut and Preserved Ginger Sandwiches. Christmas Cake. Damson Preserves.

BREAKFAST.

CAPTAIN B. F. HORN DEAD.

Was One of the Oldest Missouri

River Steamboat Men. Pierre, S. D., Dec. 24.—Captain B. F. Horn, one of the oldest Missouri River steamboat men, died at his residence here to-day. Captain Horn made his first trip to the head of navigation on the Missouri in 1885, and has navigated the river continuously since then, with the exception of one year when he served as a pilot on the Yakon River.

MISTLETOE SCARCE THIS YULETIDE.

Florists Declare the Supply of Choice Evergreens Is Shorter Than Ever Before.

PRICES ARE CLIMBING DAILY.

Market Is Glutted With Inferior Stock, for Which There Is No Sale, and Dealers Are Greatly Annoyed.

St. Louis girls who have looked forward the season when they might hang a walt the osculatory exercises suggested by he presence of the famous parasitic shrub the plant. The problem is one that is vexng many feminine minds and raxing purses a greater extent than has been the case years. Not only is mistletoe warce, but emilax, bycomodium, and to fact all of the greens used so profusely at Christmas time decorating and festooning, are so scarce er high as in former years. For these reasons holiday trade in mistletoe and other greens will be the lightest that local floris have experienced.

Many of the best-known florists through the helidays without as much as single spray of mistletoe for sale. The reason for this is not that there is no supply but because the mistletoe shipped north this year is of an inferior quality. Hun-dreds of barrels of it are lying in the commission houses unsold. For some reason as yet unexplained by shippers, very little of the mistletce has berries attached. With out betries the plant will not sell, and for this reason high prices prevail on the kind with berrica

"We have not a single spray of mistletos in the house," said Arthur Y. Elilson of the Elilson & Tesson Floral Company, "Nor do we expect to have any. Vesterday I visited Third street and examined many barrels of the plant, but there were ne berries on the leaves. Ordinarily we pay from \$6 up for a barrel, but the quality that is being received in St. Louis now is not worth 50 cents. Per

barrel, but the quality that is being received in St. Louis now is not worth 50 cents. People want good mistietoe or none at all, and if we can't get the best we will have none. The price of greens this year to nearly three times as high as in other years.

"For the most part this is caused by the early shows in Michigan and Wiscossin. Show fell before the wild plants could be gathered, and a shortane was the result. Last year we sold smalax, wired and ready for use, at from 4 cents to 7 cents n yard. To-day the same thing costs from 10 cents up. Formerly we paid from 30 to 312 for a case of smilax containing 100 pounds. Now it is much higher. Holly is cheap, and the trade is good. It is of a good quality this year. I understand that the mistletoe shipped from El Paso, Tex, is line, but we are unable to get any.

"While the supply of mistletoe is limited," said Miss Teresa Badaracco of No. 1888 Olive street, last night, "still the demand is not so great as is generally the case. As far as i know the prices have not been raised. Lycepodium is very scarce, and as a result the prices have climbed that florists and downtown stores have done very little decorating with greens this year.

a considerable height it is noticeable that florists and downtown stores have done very little decorating with greens this year. Prices are too high to permit of extensive decorations, and the florists have none to spare for beautifying their shops. They need all they can get for their casconers. "I have mistletoe for sale," said E. J. Foster of No. 28 Olive street, "but I don't know how long it will last, it is true that the supply of good mistletoe is limited, but as far as I know the usual prices prevail." At the Riessen Floral Company's store it was said that the supply of mistletoe with berries was limited, and that buying was not as heavy as in previous years.

JOINS HUSBAND IN WORKHOUSE.

Belle Coleman Is Committed in Default of a Fine.

Belle Coleman of No. 1217 Pine street was arraigned in the First District Police Court vesterday morning on a charge of wander ing on the streets Judge Boettger fined her Sie, and in default of payment she was led back to the eage, to be sent to the Work-

secons to be most in evidence. Bohamia, alone, among all the Christina nations, makes this day a season for rigorous rasting. Churren of the Christmas and the Christmas as their eders. Only the working classes derive any naterial pleasure or benefit from his craft or trade, the master is expected to his craft or trade the formal menu consists of barrier stands; such as roast goes, stuffed supply of beer and the famous German Christmas occase, expectally the pfoffer. Yerhaps the Swede cuberation and one of the Christmas and the supply of beer and the famous German Christmas occase, expectally the pfoffer in the craft of the christmas feast, that is the bre wins of the Christmas and more of the Christmas and the mast touch have the course hand to every guest or earlier. No creature is forgotten on this feative as the course is the course of the christmas and the master is the course in the course of the course is the course of the

Mrs. Carry Hoeffer of No. 122; Dolman street while attending a meeting of Hassendeubel Post. W. R. C., at the South St. Louis Turner Holl, Wednesday night, became suddenly ill and was removed to her home in an unemassions condition.

Notwithstanding the efforts of Doctor Weinsberg of No. Iail South Eleventh street she died early yesterday morning.

The physician said her death was due to apoplex.

To Finish Floors and Borders Use "Floor-Shine" Enamel Floor Colors; oak, cherry, etc. Free Booklet and Color Card. Address Floor-Shine Co., St. Louis.

AS PART OF CONSTITUTION.

Passing of Amendments Is Formally Certified To.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Jefferson City, Mo., Dec. 29.—The Secretary of State to-day certified officially to the Executive Department that all of the constitutional amendments voted upon at the election in November had passed. In accordance with the statutes Governor Stepheno will issue a proclamation declaring them passed. This act of the chief executive embodies the amendments as part of the Constitution of Missouri and their operation is simultaneous therewith.

Reduced Rates for the Holidays. The Missouri Pacific Railway and Iron Mountain Route will sell tickets at greatly reduced rates. December 22 E, 24, 25 and 31, 1900, and January 1, 1901, good for return up to and including January 2.



OPEN EVENINGS UNTIL CHRISTMAS.

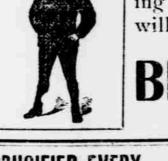
New Goods, the Very Latest Styles and the Lowest Prices.

We are daily receiving by express large lines of Men's and Boys' Raglans, Fine Overcoats, Suits, Trousers and Children's Russian Blouse and Cape Overcoats-very stylish-and CHILDREN'S SUITS in a great variety of new shapes.

The clothing we are now receiving we have just manufactured from the very latest productions of the finest woolen mills in the United States.

We make a grand display of new and attractive designs and patterns, such as will not be found in other clothing stores, and our prices now are even lower than others will charge for their old and unsalable styles.





CRUCIFIED EVERY

Armenian Outrages Outdone by Turks in a Massacre of Greeks in Macedonia.

OVER ONE THOUSAND VICTIMS.

Children Chopped Up Before Their Parents' Eyes, and Women Carried Off to Mohammedan Harems.

Vienna, Dec. 29.-Further details of the massacre of Greek Christians in Macedonia by Turks have been received from Salon-

than those inflicted upon the Armenians a few years ago were committed. Albania a horde of Mohammedans cruci fied every Christian male, fixing them to trees with stakes driven through hands and feet. Many of the women were carried off to Mohammedan harems. Children were

chopped up before their parents' eyes. At Gruma, south of Elituen, women were tortured before the eyes of their husbands and fathers; the men were terribly mutilated, having their ears, fingers, toes and limbs cut off, and many children were

At Ribaritz the entire population was massacred. The victims in each case were put to death slowly.

ty Christians. At Genevitza a priest was tied in a sack and thrown into the river.

The ringleader of the Mohammedans is the fanatic Haiduk Islam, who boasts

having shughtered 200 "Glaours" (infidels), with his own hands. The Servian Consul at Mitrovitza estimates the number of Christians killed at 470 men, 110 women and 430 children.

He places the number of Christian women taken away to Turkish harems at 35. The Turkish authorities are indifferent to

FIRE DESTROYS A HOSPITAL.

Patients Rescued and Carried to Another Institution.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Topcka, Kas., Dec. 20.—The main building of Stormout Hospital, in this city, was destroyed by fire this afternoon. The boss will be over \$10,000. It was a private institution and had eight pattents, who were rescued and carried to a place of sately. The building was fully insured. The pattents were removed to the Santa Fe riospital.

pital.
Siormont Hospital was established in 1889
by Jane C. Stormont. The old part of the
building cost \$12,000. After this had been
used for a number of years it was found
that an addition would have to be built, and
this was begun last year. Mrs. G. G. Gage
donating the money.

SEDALIA OFFICE ABOLISHED.

Reported That Missouri Pacific Will Transfer L. F. Sheldon.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

S. dalla, Mo., Dec. 29.—The office of assistant superintendent of telegraph of the Missouri Pacific, which is now held by Colonel L. P. Sheidon, with headquarters at Scialia, will be abplished on January 1, 1901. The building now usen as headquarters will be replaced with a large brick warehouse for telegraph supplies.

It is reported that Superintendent Sheldon, who has been in the employ of the Missouri Pacific for nearly a quarter of a century, will be transferred to a similar position, with headquarters at Kansas City, and that he will have charge of the company's times in Kansas and Nebraska. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

MISSOURI DAIRYMEN MEET.

Expect to Exert Pressure in Behalf of Grout Bill.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 20.—Missouri Dalrymen began assembling here to-day, subject to the call of President Norman J. subject to the call of President Norman J. Comman of St. Louis. Already 290 are on the ground and four times as many are expected to-morrow.

The idea of holding their State Convention here, where the manufacture of substitutes for batter is so extensive, is to impress Congress with the idea that Kansus City does not oppose the passage of the Grout bill. The dairymen intend telegraphing strong resolutions to Washington indersing the Grout bill.

LENTZ WILL CONTEST.

Says Tompkins Was Elected to Congress by Use of Money.

Columbus, O. Dec. 26—Congressman John J. Lentz of the Twelfth Chie District announced to-day that he would contest the seat in the next Congress of Emmit Tompkins, by whom he was defeated at the late election by a majority of eighteen votes.

Mr. Lentz claims to have evidence of the alleged corrupt use of money to secure the election of Mr. Tompkins.

Will Not Celebrate. St. Paul. Minn., Dec. 29.—To-merrow is the twenty-fifth anniversary of the conse-cration of Archbishop Ireland as a Bishop, but there will be no public celebration of the event. This is in conformity with the wishes of the Archbishop.

OLIVE AND TWELFTH STREETS.

CREAT MENTS! Largest Assortment in the City. Cut Glass. Dinner Sets. Pots and Pedestals, Mettlach Beer Steins, High Grade Art Pottery, Vernis Martin Parlor Cabinets.

SOPEN UNTIL NINE O'CLOCK P. M. 2

THEMPHREY CORNER.

Souvenirs

For the Boys With every \$3.50 purchase made in our Children's Department we give away a genuine Whitely Exerciser.

Open Evenings

Until Christmas. Humphrey's

Broadway and Pine,

VENEZUELA TO BE BROUGHT TO TIME.

Warship Ordered to Support Minister Loomis in Upholding American Concessions.

Washington, Dec. 28.-Upon representations from interested parties the State Department has requested the Navy Departent to have an American war vessel re main for a time in Venezuelan waters to give support to any representations that United States Minister Loomls may have to make the Venezuelan Government in respect to the conflicting asphalt concessions in that country.

When Mr. Leomis was in Washington last fall he conferred at length with the State Department officials respecting some of the American concessions, notably these sphelt concessions, and what is known as the Fairibault concession, which were threatened with extinguishment on variou cores by the Venezuelan Government Where the issue was directly between the concessionaries, and the Venezuelan Gov ernment the matter was not difficult of treatment, but where the contest was be-tween several concessionaries the problem was much more complicated.

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Mr. Loomis went back to Caracas with
the general instructions from the Department of State to exert all proper pressure
to secure American rights in that section.
But the complainants were first, for their
part, to exhaust the regular judicial methods. If they had grievances which could part, to exhaust the regular judicial methods. If they had grievances which could be brought before the Venezuelan courts for hearing, this course should be taken. Therefore the piacing of a warship to his support is believed to be with the purpose of terminating some of the many vexatious delays which are often experienced in the tribunals of South American courts.

The vessel selected for this mission is the historic Hartford, which under command of Captain Hawley, has been cruising in the West Indies and in the Caribbean Sea with a training crew aboard. She is now at La Guayra, just where she is wanted to meet the Minister's demands.

Stops the Cough and Works Off the Cold. Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets cure a cold in one day. No Cure. No Pay. Price 25 cts. ORDERS PLACED IN AMERICA.

Civde Shipbuilders Buy 150,000 Tons of Steel Away From Home.

Glasgow. Dec. 20.—Clyde shipbuilders re-cently placed orders for 15,000 tons of plate in the United States at a saving of 150,000. The depression in Scotch steel and malle-able from trades is acute. Fourteen fur-naces will be damped at the end of the year. The steel works are talking of closing in-definitely.

VALE GLEE CLUB.

The Century Reviewed by Fourteen Famous Thinkers.

DE SUNDAY REPUBLIC, beginning with the issue of December 23 (NEXT SUNDAY), will publish an extraordinary series of articles reviewing the record of Human Progress in the century now coming to a close. . Each of these articles will be written by a world-famous specialist who has had ample time for serious and painstaking performance. The subjects, together with the names of the writers, are these: EVOLUTION—By Alfred Wallace.

(NEXT SUNDAY.)

Literature Andrew Lang Archaeology . Prof. Flinders-Petrie Medicine William Osler Electricity Prof. Elihu Thomson Chemistry Prof. Ramsay

Naval Ships Captain Mahan Warfare Sir Charles Dilke Astronomy Sir Norman Lockyer Philosophy Edward Caird Religion-

Physics..... President Mendenhall Cardinal Gibbons and Goldwin Smith All of these men are recognized living authorities in their specialties. No one . who cares for the best of advanced thought, summarizing the achievements and movements of the wonderful nineteenth century, can afford to miss this unusual review.

COUNT ESTERHAZY IN DIREST POVERTY.

Letter to His Divorced Wife Tells of Hunger, Cold and Misery-Reiterates His Innocence.

Paris, Dec. 20 .- Major Count Ferdinand Esterhazy, who figured so prominenty in the Dreyfus case, has sunk into His divorced wife's suit utter misery. against her mother, the Marquis De Betanourt, for allowance, on the ground that she is in profound distress and unable to support or educate her young daughters, has brought forth the following letter, written

by the Major to his wife, November 1: "I have been unable to write to my chiliren recently, not having the money to buy ity of strength, courage and resources. I have not eaten for two days until this morning in the Workhouse. I have no cothes, am shivering with cold and am compelled to warm myself by entering churches and

Everyone will say this is a confession of suilt, but you can say I am killing myself because, after having struggled to the ut-most of my courage, my voice is stifled by

"Without bread, home or clothing, I shall die of privations of all kinds, unless a re-volver bullet puts everything in good or-der. Kiss my children. Tell them I adore them, and if a frightful fatality has pre-cipitated me into an abyss, if I die the vic-tim of human cowardice, I never committed

the crime whereof I am accused by see dreis in order to save themselves."

Esterhazy's letter is dated from London. Hunting and Fishing on the Iron Meuntain Route.

The best hunting and fishing is found along the line of the IRON MOUNTAIN ROUTE, in Arkansas and Louislana. Spe-call rates, and the free transportation of dogs, camp equipage, etc., are offered.

REVOLUTION IS CRUSHED.

Dispatches From Cumana Say Peace Prevails in Colombia. Caracas, Venezuela, Dec. 29, via Haytien able.—Advices received here from Cumana, in the Gulf of Cariaco, say the Colombian evolution has been crushed.

Holiday Rates on Big Four.

December 22, 23, 24, 25, 31, and January I, good returning up to and including January I, 1991. Tickets, Broadway and Chestnut and Union Station.

JEAN DE RESZKE ARRIVES.

Famous Operatic Tenor Is at New York From Bremen. New York, Dec. 20.—Jean de Reszke, the operatie tenor, and Senor Don Francisco Gonzales de Coace, Governor of the State of Queretaro, Mexico, arrived here to-day on board the steamer Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, from Bremen, Southampton and Cherbourg.

CASTORIA The Kind You Have Always Bought